assistance up to Rs. 35.00 lakh is provided to the Allopathic hospitals for setting up of such facilities.

(b) and (c) The post of Homoeopathic Pharmacist in the CGHS Homoeopathic Unit, Shahadra, Delhi had fallen vacant due to the retirement of the incumbent on 31.8.2004. Orders have since been issued for posting of a Homoeopathic Pharmacist to the above Homoeopathic Unit.

Primary Health Centres in Assam

1702. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals formulated by Government to upgrade the existing Primary Health Centres in the State of Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Primary Health Centre-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of funds allotted for this purpose by Government during the year 2004-05?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) The State Government of Assam has a proposal to upgrade 146 Block Primary Health Centres (PHCs) to provide them with 24 hours delivery system and also to upgrade some of these PHCs into Community Health Centres (CHCs).

(d) The State Government is yet to submit a formal proposal in this regard;

Generic Drugs

1703. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the medicines like generic drugs are running parallel in large numbers in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and what action has been taken to check it?